

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION/SITUATION REPORT
Hambrick Road Drums - Removal Polrep
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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Region IV

Subject: POLREP #1
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Hambrick Road Drums

Eastman, GA
Latitude: 32.2194022 Longitude: -83.2165865

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Reporting Period: 04/15/2013

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

Site Number:	Contract Number:	
D.O. Number:	Action Memo Date:	
Response Authority: CERCLA	Response Type:	Emergency
Response Lead: PRP	Incident Category:	Removal Action
NPL Status: Non NPL	Operable Unit:	
Mobilization Date: 4/15/2013	Start Date:	4/15/2013
Demob Date:	Completion Date:	
CERCLIS ID:	RCRIS ID:	
ERNS No.:	State Notification:	
FPN#:	Reimbursable Account #:	

1.1.1 Incident Category

Emergency Response

1.1.2 Site Description

The site is a public storage facility with multiple storage buildings. There are cameras for security, but no fence. Locks are placed on the units once they are rented.

1.1.2.1 Location

Eastman, Georgia

1.1.2.2 Description of Threat

5 Drums were abandoned in a storage unit some time in late 2012 or early 2013. The drums are suspected to contain a spent dry cleaning solvent primarily being Tetrachloroethylene (PCE).

PCE is a hazardous substances as defined by 40 CFR 302.4 and this release does pose a threat to public health and welfare of the United States according to the criteria for a removal action listed in 300.415(b)(2) of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan.

1.1.3 Preliminary Removal Assessment/Removal Site Inspection Results

On the afternoon of 4/15 phone duty received an interagency referral for 5 abandoned drums. It is suspected that the drums were under contract for disposal from dry cleaners and abandoned in a public/commercial storage facility. Contents of the drums were tentatively identified as tetrachloroethylene (PCE) prior to OSC deployment.

2. Current Activities

2.1 Operations Section

2.1.1 Narrative

An OSC was dispatched to the storage facility to assess the drums, identify a responsible party and evaluate storage/disposal options as practical. The drums were sealed, in relatively good condition, and some had a label. The OSC advised the property owner of their current liability and agreed to work with the property owner to ensure the drums are reconciled through appropriate disposal, recycling, or returned to their respective owner(s).

A rad survey was conducted on the drums with no concentrations above background. An air monitoring screening using the Multirae Pro was also conducted with no detections except when the sample port of the instrument was placed 1 inch from the top drum ring on the Wood Adhesives drum. A detection of 60ppm for VOCs was indicated on the Multirae Pro. This would indicate that the drum ring was not sealed sufficiently.

2.1.2 Response Actions to Date

- Preliminary visual assessment of drums
- Rad and Air monitoring screening of drums without opening drums

2.1.3 Enforcement Activities, Identity of Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)

Issac Faulk - Property Owner - Issued a NOFI by OSC

Discount Drycleaners - generator label

Q Cleaners - generator label

Franklin Adhesives & Polymers - manufacturer's label

2.1.4 Progress Metrics

<i>Waste Stream</i>	<i>Medium</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Manifest #</i>	<i>Treatment</i>	<i>Disposal</i>

2.2 Planning Section

2.2.1 Anticipated Activities

- Identify responsible parties
- Ensure disposal/recycling of drums

2.2.1.1 Planned Response Activities

2.2.1.2 Next Steps

Work with EPA attorney to contact generators and transporters to notify them of their liability under CERCLA.

2.2.2 Issues

2.3 Logistics Section

No information available at this time.

2.4 Finance Section

No information available at this time.

2.5 Other Command Staff

No information available at this time.

3. Participating Entities

3.1 Unified Command

3.2 Cooperating Agencies

GAEPD

4. Personnel On Site

No information available at this time.

5. Definition of Terms

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

OSC - On- Scene Coordinator

GAEPD - Georgia Environmental Protection Division

NCP - National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan

NRC - National Response Center

CFR - Code of Federal Regulations

RP - Responsible Party

NOFI - Notice of Federal Interest

EMA - Emergency Management Agency

6. Additional sources of information

No information available at this time.

7. Situational Reference Materials

No information available at this time.